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## Bill Summary

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### Overview

This bill provides appropriations for the Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing Services Division at the Department of Human Services and services for people who are deaf, deafblind, and hard-of-hearing.

#### Section

- 1**     **Appropriation; Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing Services Division.** Appropriates \$750,000 in each year of the 2016-17 biennium from the general fund to the commissioner of human services for the Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing Services Division. Adds this appropriation to the base. Lists the purposes for which the funds must be used.
- 2**     **Appropriation; Services for People Who Are Deaf, Deafblind, and Hard-of-Hearing.** Appropriates \$250,000 in each year of the 2016-17 biennium from the general fund to the commissioner of human services for deaf and hard-of-hearing grants. Requires the funds to be used to increase the number of deafblind Minnesotans receiving services. Adds this appropriation to the base.